

## ***Perch Base, United States Submariners***

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To my Perch Base shipmates,

The number of attendees from not only the Western Region, but across the organization is short of expected for the 2025 USSVI National Convention. **While the number of room night thresholds has been met, the number of shipmates attending Boat reunions exceeds the number of USSVI members attending the convention, our meetings, luncheons, and the numerous off-site trips designed to engage us in that special camaraderie known only amongst bubbleheads.**

To those of you who have made the time and financial commitment to attend, the Board of Directors and I sincerely thank you. For those of you who are still sitting on the pier waiting until the last liberty van departs, please consider that this will likely be the last time a National Convention will be held at the Rosen Shingle Creek Resort. While the two Bases co-chairing this event worked tirelessly to put on a great event for us all, the special relationship between the resort owner, Harris Rosen, and the veteran's community he so dearly loved and supported abruptly ended when Mr. Rosen departed this earth in late 2024. With his passing go all the great benefits and discounts USSVI has enjoyed in past year's conventions.

Mr. Rosen's passing will not void all the terms of the contract including a 20% discount to all attending USSVI members on their purchases from the numerous restaurants and concessions on the property. God knows, tariffs aside, we can all use a break to the spending power of our dollar. So, if you're thinking that we've been here before, yes, we have. Are we coming back anytime in the foreseeable future, not on anyone's immediate horizon. Is it less expensive than attending the 2026 National Convention in Corpus Christi – you bet. And, for those of you worried about those pesky hurricanes, know that Orlando is 80 miles inland and the hotel property is designed to provide a safe and comfortable experience even with an excessive wind event.

Many Western Region Shipmates and Associate Members have been nominated for prestigious award recognition at the National level at the Annual Awards Banquet. And, newly elected and incumbent (returning) District Commanders can receive the Oath of Office administered before the conclusion of the Annual Business Meeting. These are two great time-honored events best experienced 'live' than getting an award shipped to you or presented at a zoom meeting.

Don't let the 2025 USSVI National Convention be remembered as the one you missed and should have been there! The event runs Sept 1-7, 2025. Make your reservations and book your room at <https://subvetconvention.org/> before it's too late!

Pride Runs Deep!

Pete Juhos, Western Regional Director

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